

SEMINOLE COUNTY COMMUNITY
TRAFFIC SAFETY TEAM
May 24, 2011 Minutes

Dan Smutz, ASPD
Will Maxwell, WSPD
Gregg Roero, Fla. Safety Council
Larry Wynn, FDOT, TEDS
Joe Steward, FDOT
Sheryl Bradley, FDOT, HNTB
Colleen Jarrell, HNTB
Katrine Zarn, CPD
Ronnie Gregory, LMPD
Joy Goff-Marcil, DOH

Robert Ladoczky, LPD
Mike Blinn, SCTE
James Roark, SCPS
Robert Asbill, FHP
Dwayne Walker, OPD
Robin Butler, DPS
Terri Touchton, SCTE
Tung-Lung Cheng, MetroPlan Orlando
David Morgenstern, SPD

Will Maxwell opened the meeting at 8:30 a.m. and explained that Robin would be late or unable to attend depending on arrival of other instructors at CPS class.

Will requested review and approval of the April 26th minutes. Robert Ladoczky made motion to approve the minutes, and Sheryl Bradley seconded.

Old Business:

Citation Review is tabled until later in the meeting, pending Robin's attendance.

New Business:

Memorial Day Operation

Katrine Zarn distributed the Traffic Safety Saturation Patrol Operation Objective and advised the operation briefing would begin May 27th, 8:30 a.m. at the Casselberry PD Multipurpose Room. The operation will be from May 27th at 8:30 a.m. through Saturday, May 28th at approximately 3:30 p.m. and will include the following boundaries: Lake Mary Blvd. for the northern boundary, SR 417 for the eastern boundary, Seminole/Orange County line for the southern boundary and Seminole/Orange County line for the western boundary. Officer Zarn noted that food would be available.

Flashing Yellow Arrow:

Joe Steward provided a presentation on the flashing yellow arrow. This is a low cost safety measure to help prevent left turn crashes. These have been installed in North Carolina, Oregon, Arizona, Colorado, Washington DC and now they are in Florida. A study has shown that they have significantly reduced left turn crashes.

The flashing yellow arrow means left turns allowed; however, yield to oncoming traffic and pedestrians. The oncoming traffic has the green light. The solid yellow means prepare to stop or complete your left turn if you are in an intersection. These lights will be installed at various locations throughout the state on a case by case basis following a full evaluation of the intersection. It was noted that SR 436 and Orange will have a yellow flashing light. It was questioned how they would affect the confirmation lights and it was advised there would be no affect on the confirmation lights. It was further questioned whether there would be a media campaign and it was noted there would be a PSA. It was further noted these would not be installed where there are protected only left turns. Sheryl also noted that the cycle

takes motorists through solid green, solid yellow, solid red, then flashing yellow so it brings motorists to a stop first.

Traffic Fatalities:

Mike advised he had only received one report to date for **SR 46 at Marina Isle Cove on the new bridge**. Same was reviewed and it was noted that there was also another crash last week, very close to this location, in which alcohol was involved.

There was a discussion regarding BUI and Katrine noted an FWS employee she knows indicated they have had more BUI arrests to date, especially during the last month.

Roadway Safety Assessment Team:

Colleen advised she visited Devonshire and Rangeline, a complaint that came in on the problems and solutions that people are not stopping at the stop signs. They did not really see an issue with it and actually questioned whether the stop sign is justified, but realizes the situation within Longwood. They did note some of the maintenance items which will be forwarded to Longwood. They also did not see justification for placing flashing beacons on stop sign. Robert Ladoczky noted that before the stop sign at Loch Lomond Ave. went up Rangeline Road was a race track. It was noted the flashers are only on at night.

Larry noted that the 35 mph zone on Rangeline appears to be located correctly; however, the corresponding NB 25 is considerably further north of that sign when normally they are located at the same location.

Colleen noted they would be reviewing 46A and International next week. Mike advised the sign shop would be out this week to install the one way sign in the median.

Problems and Solutions:

Larry also advised that 17-92 and Church came up last year and is being designed, due to a supplemental agreement and changed standards, and should be operational six months from now.

James Roark advised he would be submitting a request for SR 434 and Oak, near Wekiva Springs Road, regarding a site obstruction. Cheryl questioned how many LED's have to be out in a bulb before it is replaced and Mike advised the guideline is about 50%.

Ronnie Gregory noted that the school zone on S. Country Club at Evansdale, south of Lake Mary just past the elementary and the RR tracks, this year has had an unbelievable amount of speeders when the school zone is on flash and they have been out there for two weeks solid. South bound is more of a problem even though they have some northbound.

Announcements:

- Click It or Ticket started yesterday and runs through June 5th and floridalel.org has all the information for enforcement, media, etc.
- May 26th is CPS Check Up Event at David Maus Chevrolet, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. and techs are needed to assist.

- May 27th begins Memorial Day Operation previously reviewed and hosted by Casselberry PD.
- Red Hot and Boom will be July 3rd in Altamonte, will need assistance
- Oviedo, Sanford and Winter Springs will have fireworks on July 4th.

Future CPS Check Up Events are:

- September 21st, Babies R Us in Altamonte, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
- October 17th, Sanford FD, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
- November 23rd, Babies R Us in Altamonte, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Joe noted the red light camera law was not repealed and there is no booster seat law; however the “baggy pants” law did pass and takes effect July 1st. The final language is not known.

Dave Morgenstern noted they would need assistance for the Labor Day Traffic Operation. Oviedo, Lake Mary and Sanford advised they are participating.

Cheryl noted there is a section in this month’s newsletter in conjunction with Click It or Ticket. There is a great planner on line, as well as other information needed, including PSA’s. They are relying on local media to get the word out. She also noted it is Bicycle Safety Month. Joe mentioned the Buckle Up Florida Banners are available and Will noted he would like to have two.

Robin noted there was a meeting regarding citations and she has been in touch with Maryanne Morse. What we are wanting is a little bigger than their computer can put out; however, we are going to go with the civil infractions, which is available on JD Edwards. She will be discussing with Terri and getting her to assist with obtaining this information. She also noted that Dan Smutz handed her an article regarding the same thing in the St. Pete Times on May 16, 2011.

Robin reiterated the CPS Check Up at David Maus Chevrolet this Thursday, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

James noted the last three days of school will be out at 11:45, with the last day being next Wednesday.

There being no further discussion, meeting was adjourned at 9:15.

Next Meeting is Tuesday, June 28, 2011, 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. at Lake Mary Police Department, located at 165 E. Crystal Lake Drive.